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Dear Buyer:

You are invited to attend the eighth annual **Virginia State Parks Gift Show hosted by Virginia State Parks**. Admittance to the show is free to buyers, shop owners, and merchandise managers in Virginia and the surrounding states. The event will be held at the Wytheville Meeting Center, located at 333 Community Boulevard, adjacent to the Wytheville Community College in Wytheville, Virginia. The show will be March 19 & 20, 2019. The hours are 9 am to 5 pm March 19th and 9 am to 4 pm March 20th 2019. The first 25 stores to arrive at the show on Tuesday and Wednesday will receive a goody bag from the show exhibitors.

The vendors that have been invited to the show were selected from our Virginia State Park annual Buyer's Guide, a selection of products that we recommend for sale in our state parks. A wide range of products will be available from apparel and souvenirs to plush and toys and everything in between; and a lot of new vendors and product lines will be at the show this year. We are concentrating on finding more Made in the US products and these booths will be highlighted at the show. Of special note to the museums and government agencies that fall under the eVA (electronic Virginia) procurement requirements, all of the vendors are registered to do business with the Commonwealth and many are certified as micro, small, woman and/or minority businesses.

Attendee review ... "So sorry for the delay, but I did want to let you know that I really enjoyed the Gift Show! You had some new participants and I really like that you had included more artisans as such. So glad that I got to attend – I look forward to it throughout the year.

Thanks again and Happy Spring!
Jewel – Wintergreen Resort

Register at <http://www.dcr.virginia.gov/state-parks/other/sp-buyer-registration> or by calling Ann Henderson at 804-371-2595. We will send out updates regularly via email with list of the vendors and product lines that will be available to view at the show. There is no cost to attend the show, and there are hotel discounts available for attendees of events at the Wytheville Meeting Center at Comfort Suites Wytheville, Country Inn & Suites and The Bolling Wilson Hotel. Please call the hotels directly to receive the discounted rate and mention you will be attending the Virginia Gift Show at the Wytheville Meeting Center.

Virginia State Parks is proud to be able to continue to offer this opportunity to help others have a chance to attend a show with limited expense. We hope you will take advantage of this opportunity and attend our show. We look forward to seeing you in March.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Ann".

Ann Henderson
Retail Manager
Virginia State Parks